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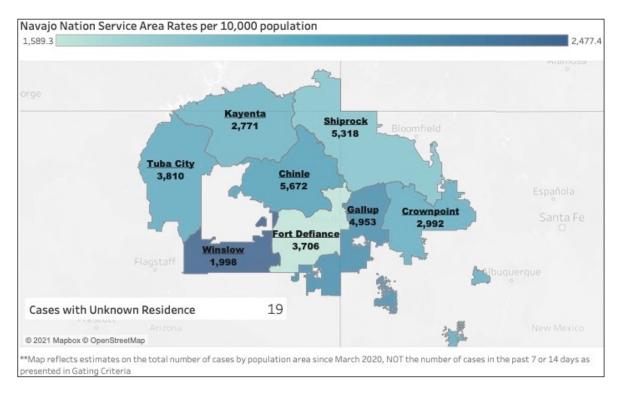
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21 new cases, 29,759 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 21 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,366. The report indicates that 29,759 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 287,686 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,239.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 5,672

Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,992Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,706

Gallup Service Unit: 4,953
Kayenta Service Unit: 2,771
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,318
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,810
Winslow Service Unit: 1,998

* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 1,043 new cases, Utah reported 873 new cases, and New Mexico reported 271 new cases.

"We have the knowledge, guidance, and resources to push back on COVID-19 and the Delta variant, but it ultimately comes down to our individual choices and actions each day. Whether we wear a mask or not, whether we travel to hotspots or not, and whether we get vaccinated or not. The data across the country shows the devastating impacts of the Delta variant in regions where vaccination rates are low. States and counties where a small percentage of people are vaccinated have rising numbers of new infections, hospitalizations, and deaths. Here on the Navajo Nation, the mask mandate remains in place for all residents, visitors, and tourists. We have to remain strong and keep pushing back on the virus," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, please contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

"We want all of our people to remain healthy and free of COVID-19, but that requires more of us to get fully vaccinated. So far, we have well over 60-percent of our people fully vaccinated, but we can do better. Please continue to take safety measures and be very careful in public. Be safe and keep praying for our Nation and our frontline workers," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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